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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3011

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TO: 6362 SHADY BROOK LANE

DALLAS, TEXAS

OR 1200 N. ALMA ROAD

RICHARDSON, TX 75080

EO 11652: NA

TAGS: CDES SZ (CHAKRABARTI, SUNIL KAMAR)

SUBJ: DEATHS- SUNIL KUMAR CHAKRABARTI)

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF SUNIL KUMAR CHAKRABARTI, BORN 1/10/41 AT CALCUTTA, INDIA. SWISS POLICE OFFICIALS INFORMED THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AT BERN ON AUGUST 8, 1976 OF HIS DEATH ON AUGUST 8, 1976 AT FLEURIER, SWITZERLAND. MR CHAKRABARTI WAS KILLED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT WHICH WAS DRIVEN BY HIS FRIEND MR KRISHMA SHARMA, WHO WAS ALSO KILLED. THE THIRD PASSENGER WAS MR MARCUS SCOTT WHO IS HOSPITALIZED AT NEUCHATEL WITH SERIOUS INJURIES.

2. MR CHAKRABARTI HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY HIS U S PASSPORT G 1651696 ISSUED JUNE 17, 1976, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

3. THE EMBASSY WILL TAKE CHARGE OF HIS PERSONAL EFFECTS AND WILL WRITE TO YOU CONCERNING THEIR DISPOSITION.

REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE MR CHAKRABARTI'S REMAINS RETURNED TO THE U S. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO TEXAS WOULD COST \$4000. CREMATION
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AND SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO U S WOULD COST \$780.00. IF LOCAL BURIAL

IS DESIRED, THE COST IS \$1000. THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL IS \$900. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, BERN, SWITZERLAND, AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U S FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.

B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND, BER, SWITZERLAND, PAYABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY.

C) OF YOU ARE HAVING REMAINS SHIPPED TO U S YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U S FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

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